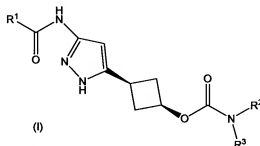


AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Previously presented) A compound of formula (I)



or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of said compound, wherein:

R¹ is:

(A) -(C₁-C₆)alkyl, optionally substituted independently with from one to three (a) halogen; (b) heteroaryl, optionally substituted independently with from one to three -(C₁-C₆)alkyl; trifluoromethyl; or -(C₁-C₆)alkoxy; (c) aryl, optionally substituted independently with from one to three halogen; -(C₁-C₆)alkoxy; trifluoromethyl; -(C₁-C₆)alkyl; or -C(O)(C₁-C₆)alkyl; (d) -OR⁵; (e) -(C₃-C₈)cycloalkyl; or (f) heterocycloalkyl;

(B) -(C₃-C₈)cycloalkyl, optionally substituted independently with from one to three (g) heteroaryl, optionally substituted independently with from one to three -(C₁-C₆)alkyl; trifluoromethyl; or -(C₁-C₆)alkoxy; (h) aryl, optionally substituted independently with from one to three halogen; -(C₁-C₆)alkoxy; trifluoromethyl; -(C₁-C₆)alkyl; or -C(O)(C₁-C₆)alkyl; (i) heterocycloalkyl; (j) -OR⁵; or (k) -(C₁-C₆)alkyl, optionally substituted with from one to three halogen;

(C) heterocycloalkyl, optionally substituted with from one to three (l) heteroaryl, optionally substituted independently with from one to three -(C₁-C₆)alkyl; trifluoromethyl; or -(C₁-C₆)alkoxy; (m) aryl, optionally substituted independently with from one to three halogen; -(C₁-C₆)alkoxy; trifluoromethyl; -(C₁-C₆)alkyl; or -C(O)(C₁-C₆)alkyl; (n) -(C₃-C₈)cycloalkyl; (o) heterocycloalkyl; (p) -OR⁵; or (q) -(C₁-C₆)alkyl, optionally substituted with from one to three halogen;
or

(D) heteroaryl, optionally substituted with from one to three -(C₁-C₆)alkyl or trifluoromethyl;

R² and R³ are, independently,

(E) hydrogen;

(F) $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$, optionally substituted independently with from one to three (r) halogen; (s) aryl, optionally substituted independently with from one to three halogen; trifluoromethyl; $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$, or $-(C_1-C_6)alkoxy$, optionally substituted with from one to three fluorine atoms; (t) heteroaryl, optionally substituted independently with from one to three nitro; $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$; trifluoromethyl; halogen; or $-(C_1-C_6)alkoxy$; (u) heterocycloalkyl, optionally substituted independently with one to three $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$; oxo; aryl; or heteroaryl; (v) $-(C_3-C_6)cycloalkyl$, optionally substituted independently with from one to three cyano or aryl; (w) $-NHR^4$; (x) $-OR^5$; (y) $-N[(C_1-C_6)alkyl]_2$; or (z) cyano;

(G) $-(C_3-C_6)cycloalkyl$, optionally substituted independently with from one to three cyano or aryl;

(H) aryl, optionally substituted independently with from one to three halogen; $-(C_1-C_6)alkoxy$; trifluoromethyl; or $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$;

(I) heteroaryl, optionally substituted independently with from one to three $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$ or $-(C_1-C_6)alkoxy$; or

(J) heterocycloalkyl, optionally substituted with from one to three $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$, optionally substituted with aryl; or

R^2 and R^3 , taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached, form a heterocycloalkyl ring, optionally substituted independently with (aa) $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$, optionally substituted with $-R^4$ or $-OR^5$; (bb) aryl; (cc) heteroaryl; (dd) $-N[(C_1-C_6)alkyl]R^4$; (ee) $-R^4$; or (ff) $-(C_1-C_6)alkoxy$;

R^4 is (K) $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$; (L) $-C(O)(C_1-C_6)alkyl$; (M) $-C(O)O(C_1-C_6)alkyl$, optionally substituted with aryl; (N) aryl; (O) heteroaryl; or (P) heterocycloalkyl, wherein each (N) aryl, (O) heteroaryl, or (P) heterocycloalkyl group is optionally substituted independently with from one to three (gg) halogen; (hh) nitro; (ii) trifluoromethyl; (jj) $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$; or (kk) $-N[(C_1-C_6)alkyl][C(O)(C_1-C_6)alkyl]$; and

R^5 is (Q) $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$; (R) $-C(O)(C_1-C_6)alkyl$; (S) aryl; (T) heteroaryl; or (U) heterocycloalkyl, wherein each (S) aryl, (T) heteroaryl, or (U) heterocycloalkyl group is optionally substituted independently with from one to three (ll) halogen;

(mm) nitro; (nn) trifluoromethyl; (oo) -(C₁-C₆)alkyl; or (pp) -N[(C₁-C₆)alkyl][C(O)(C₁-C₆)alkyl].

2. (Original) A compound of claim 1, wherein:

R¹ is:

(A) -(C₁-C₆)alkyl, optionally substituted independently with (b) heteroaryl, optionally substituted independently with -(C₁-C₆)alkyl; trifluoromethyl; or -(C₁-C₆)alkoxy; (c) aryl, optionally substituted independently with from one to three halogen; -(C₁-C₆)alkoxy; trifluoromethyl; -(C₁-C₆)alkyl; (d) -OR⁵; or (f) heterocycloalkyl;

(B) -(C₃-C₆)cycloalkyl, optionally substituted independently with (g) heteroaryl, optionally substituted independently with from one to three -(C₁-C₆)alkyl; trifluoromethyl; or -(C₁-C₆)alkoxy; (h) aryl, optionally substituted independently with from one to three halogen; -(C₁-C₆)alkoxy; trifluoromethyl; or -(C₁-C₆)alkyl; (i) heterocycloalkyl; (j) -OR⁵; (k) -(C₁-C₆)alkyl, optionally substituted with from one to three halogen;

(C) heterocycloalkyl, optionally substituted with (l) heteroaryl, optionally substituted independently with from one to three -(C₁-C₆)alkyl; trifluoromethyl; or -(C₁-C₆)alkoxy; (m) aryl, optionally substituted independently with from one to three halogen; -(C₁-C₆)alkoxy; trifluoromethyl; -(C₁-C₆)alkyl; or -C(O)(C₁-C₆)alkyl; (n) -(C₃-C₆)cycloalkyl; (o) heterocycloalkyl; (p) -OR⁵; or (q) -(C₁-C₆)alkyl, optionally substituted with from one to three halogen;

R² is hydrogen or -(C₁-C₆)alkyl;

R³ is:

(F) -(C₁-C₆)alkyl, optionally substituted independently with from one to three (r) halogen; (s) aryl, optionally substituted independently with from one to three halogen; trifluoromethyl; -(C₁-C₆)alkyl, or -(C₁-C₆)alkoxy, optionally substituted with from one to three fluorine atoms; (t) heteroaryl, optionally substituted independently with from one to three -(C₁-C₆)alkyl; trifluoromethyl; halogen; or -(C₁-C₆)alkoxy; (u) heterocycloalkyl, optionally substituted independently with one

to three $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$; oxo; aryl; or heteroaryl; (v) $-(C_3-C_8)cycloalkyl$; (w) $-NHR^4$; (x) $-OR^5$; (y) $-N[(C_1-C_6)alkyl]_2$; or (z) cyano;

(G) $-(C_3-C_8)cycloalkyl$, optionally substituted independently with from one to three cyano or aryl; or

(J) heterocycloalkyl, optionally substituted with from one to three $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$, optionally substituted with aryl; or

R^2 and R^3 , taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached, form a heterocycloalkyl ring, optionally substituted independently with (aa) $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$, optionally substituted with $-R^4$ or $-OR^5$; (bb) aryl; (cc) heteroaryl; or (ff) $-(C_1-C_6)alkoxy$;

R^4 is (K) $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$; (N) aryl; (O) heteroaryl; or (P) heterocycloalkyl, wherein each aryl, heteroaryl, or heterocycloalkyl group is optionally substituted independently with from one to three (gg) halogen; (ii) trifluoromethyl; or (jj) $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$; and

R^5 is (Q) $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$; (S) aryl; (T) heteroaryl; or (U) heterocycloalkyl, wherein each (S) aryl, (T) heteroaryl, or (U) heterocycloalkyl group is optionally substituted independently with from one to three (ll) halogen; (nn) trifluoromethyl; or (oo) $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$.

3. (Original) A compound of claim 1, wherein:

R^1 is:

(A) $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$, optionally substituted independently with (b) heteroaryl, optionally substituted independently with $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$ or $-(C_1-C_6)alkoxy$; (c) aryl, optionally substituted independently with from one to three halogen; $-(C_1-C_6)alkoxy$; trifluoromethyl; or $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$; or (d) $-OR^5$;

(B) $-(C_3-C_8)cycloalkyl$, optionally substituted independently with (g) heteroaryl, optionally substituted independently with from one to three $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$ or $-(C_1-C_6)alkoxy$; (h) aryl, optionally substituted independently with from one to three halogen; $-(C_1-C_6)alkoxy$; trifluoromethyl; or $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$; (j) $-OR^5$; (k) $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$, optionally substituted with from one to three halogen; or

(C) heterocycloalkyl, optionally substituted with (l) heteroaryl, optionally substituted independently with from one to three $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$ or $-(C_1-C_6)alkoxy$; (m) aryl, optionally substituted independently with from one to three halogen; $-(C_1-C_6)alkoxy$; trifluoromethyl; or $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$; (p) $-OR^5$; or (q) $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$, optionally substituted with from one to three halogen;

R^2 is hydrogen or $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$;

R^3 is:

(F) $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$, optionally substituted independently with (s) aryl, optionally substituted independently with from one to three halogen; trifluoromethyl; $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$, or $-(C_1-C_6)alkoxy$, optionally substituted with from one to three fluorine atoms; (t) heteroaryl, optionally substituted independently with from one to three $-(C_1-C_6)alkyl$ or trifluoromethyl; and

R^5 is (S) aryl, optionally substituted with halogen.

4. (Previously presented) The compound:

benzyl-carbamic acid *cis*-3-[5-(cyclohexanecarbonyl-amino)-1H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

benzyl-carbamic acid *cis*-3-(5-isobutyrylamino-1H-pyrazol-3-yl)-cyclobutyl ester;

benzyl-carbamic acid *cis*-3-[5-(2-methyl-2-phenyl-propionylamino)-2H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

benzyl-carbamic acid *cis*-3-[5-[(4-methyl-tetrahydro-pyran-4-carbonyl)-amino]-2H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

benzyl-carbamic acid *cis*-3-[5-(2,2-dimethyl-propionylamino)-2H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

benzyl-carbamic acid *cis*-3-[5-[(tetrahydro-pyran-4-carbonyl)-amino]-1H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

benzyl-carbamic acid *cis*-3-[5-(2-methyl-2-pyridin-2-yl-propionylamino)-2H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

benzyl-methyl-carbamic acid *cis*-3-[5-[(tetrahydro-pyran-4-carbonyl)-amino]-1H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

butyl-carbamic acid *cis*-3-[5-(2,2-dimethyl-propionylamino)-1H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

(2-chloro-benzyl)-carbamic acid *cis*-3-{5-[(tetrahydro-pyran-4-carbonyl)-amino]-1H-pyrazol-3-yl}-cyclobutyl ester;

(2,6-difluoro-benzyl)-carbamic acid *cis*-3-(5-isobutyrylamino-2H-pyrazol-3-yl)-cyclobutyl ester;

(2,6-difluoro-benzyl)-carbamic acid *cis*-3-{5-[(1-methyl-cyclohexanecarbonyl)-amino]-1H-pyrazol-3-yl}-cyclobutyl ester;

(2-ethyl-butyl)-carbamic acid *cis*-3-(5-isobutyrylamino-2H-pyrazol-3-yl)-cyclobutyl ester;

(2-fluoro-benzyl)-carbamic acid *cis*-3-{5-[(*(R)*-tetrahydro-furan-2-carbonyl)-amino]-1H-pyrazol-3-yl}-cyclobutyl ester;

isobutyl-carbamic acid *cis*-3-(5-phenylacetyl-amino-2H-pyrazol-3-yl)-cyclobutyl ester;

(2-phenyl-propyl)-carbamic acid *cis*-3-{5-[(*(R)*-tetrahydro-furan-2-carbonyl)-amino]-1H-pyrazol-3-yl}-cyclobutyl ester;

pyridin-2-ylmethyl-carbamic acid *cis*-3-[5-(cyclopentanecarbonyl-amino)-1H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

pyridin-2-ylmethyl-carbamic acid *cis*-3-[5-(2,2-dimethyl-propionylamino)-1H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

thiophen-2-ylmethyl-carbanic acid *cis*-3-{5-[(*(R)*-tetrahydro-furan-2-carbonyl)-amino]-1H-pyrazol-3-yl}-cyclobutyl ester; or

(2-trifluoromethyl-benzyl)-carbamic acid *cis*-3-(5-isobutyrylamino-2H-pyrazol-3-yl)-cyclobutyl ester; or a pharmaceutical acceptable salt of said compound.

5. (Previously presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising an amount of a compound of claim 1, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of said compound, and a pharmaceutical acceptable carrier, vehicle, or diluent.

6.-8. (Canceled)

9. (Previously presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising an amount of a compound of claim 1, or a pharmaceutical acceptable salt of said compound; an amount of one or more of: (i) an anti-angiogenesis agent, (ii) a signal transduction inhibitor, (iii) an anti-proliferative agent, (iv) an NK-1 receptor antagonist, (v) a 5HT_{1D} receptor antagonist, (vi) a selective serotonin reuptake inhibitor (SSRI), (vii) an anti- psychotic agent, (viii) an acetylcholinesterase inhibitor, (ix) a neuroprotectant, (x) tissue plasminogen activator (TPA), (xi) neutrophil inhibitory factor (NIF), or (xii) a potassium channel modulator; and a pharmaceutical acceptable carrier, vehicle, or diluent.

10.-11. (Canceled)

12. (New) A compound selected from the group consisting of:

(3-Chloro-benzyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-{5-[(tetrahydro-pyran-4-carbonyl)-amino]-1H-pyrazol-3-yl}-cyclobutyl ester;

Benzyl-carbamic acid cis-3-{5-[(R)-tetrahydro-furan-2-carbonyl)-amino]-1H-pyrazol-3-yl}-cyclobutyl ester;

Pyridin-2-ylmethyl-carbamic acid cis-3-{5-(2,2-dimethyl-propionylamino)-1H-pyrazol-3-yl}-cyclobutyl ester;

Pyridin-2-ylmethyl-carbamic acid cis-3-{5-(cycloheptanecarbonyl-amino)-1H-pyrazol-3-yl}-cyclobutyl ester;

(3-Chloro-benzyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-{5-[(R)-tetrahydro-furan-2-carbonyl)-amino]-1H-pyrazol-3-yl}-cyclobutyl ester;

(2-Phenyl-propyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-{5-[(R)-tetrahydro-furan-2-carbonyl)-amino]-1H-pyrazol-3-yl}-cyclobutyl ester;

(2-Chloro-6-fluoro-benzyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-{5-[(R)-tetrahydro-furan-2-carbonyl)-amino]-2H-pyrazol-3-yl}-cyclobutyl ester;

(2,3-Difluoro-benzyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-{5-[(R)-tetrahydro-furan-2-carbonyl)-amino]-2H-pyrazol-3-yl}-cyclobutyl ester;

(2,6-Difluoro-benzyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-{5-[(R)-tetrahydro-furan-2-carbonyl)-amino]-2H-pyrazol-3-yl}-cyclobutyl ester;

(2-Methoxy-benzyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-[5-[(R)-tetrahydro-furan-2-carbonyl]-amino]-1H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

(2-Fluoro-6-trifluoromethyl-benzyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-[5-[(R)-tetrahydro-furan-2-carbonyl]-amino]-1H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

(2-Chloro-6-fluoro-benzyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-[5-[(tetrahydro-pyran-4-carbonyl)-amino]-2H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

(4-Fluoro-2-trifluoromethyl-benzyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-[5-[(R)-tetrahydro-furan-2-carbonyl]-amino]-2H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

(3-Fluoro-benzyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-[5-[(1-methyl-cyclohexanecarbonyl)-amino]-1H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

(1-Methyl-1-phenyl-ethyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-[5-[(tetrahydro-pyran-4-carbonyl)-amino]-2H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

(2-Methyl-benzyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-[5-(2-methyl-2-phenyl-propionylamino)-2H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

(1-Methyl-1-phenyl-ethyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-[5-(2-methyl-2-pyridin-2-yl-propionylamino)-2H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

(2-Trifluoromethyl-benzyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-[5-(2-methyl-2-phenyl-propionylamino)-2H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

(2-Fluoro-benzyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-[5-(2-methyl-2-phenyl-propionylamino)-2H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

(2-Methoxy-benzyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-[5-(2-methyl-2-phenyl-propionylamino)-2H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

(1-Phenyl-cyclopentyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-[5-(2,2-dimethyl-propionylamino)-2H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

Pyridin-2-ylmethyl-carbamic acid cis-3-[5-(2-pyridin-2-yl-propionylamino)-2H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

(2-Phenylamino-ethyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-[5-(5-isobutyrylamino-2H-pyrazol-3-yl)-cyclobutyl ester;

(4-Chloro-benzyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-[5-(5-isobutyrylamino-2H-pyrazol-3-yl)-cyclobutyl ester;

(2-Chloro-6-fluoro-benzyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-(5-isobutylamino-2H-pyrazol-3-yl)-cyclobutyl ester;

(2,4,5-Trifluoro-benzyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-{5-[[((R)-tetrahydro-furan-2-carbonyl)-amino]-2H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

(3,4-Difluoro-benzyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-{5-[[((R)-tetrahydro-furan-2-carbonyl)-amino]-2H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

(2-Methyl-benzyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-{5-[[tetrahydro-pyran-4-carbonyl)-amino]-2H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

(2,5-Difluoro-benzyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-{5-[[((R)-tetrahydro-furan-2-carbonyl)-amino]-2H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

(2-Trifluoromethyl-benzyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-{5-[[((R)-tetrahydro-furan-2-carbonyl)-amino]-1H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

(2-Methyl-benzyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-{5-[[((R)-tetrahydro-furan-2-carbonyl)-amino]-2H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

(2,4-Difluoro-benzyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-{5-[[((R)-tetrahydro-furan-2-carbonyl)-amino]-2H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

(4-Isopropyl-benzyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-{5-[[((R)-tetrahydro-furan-2-carbonyl)-amino]-1H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

(4-Chloro-benzyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-{5-[[((R)-tetrahydro-furan-2-carbonyl)-amino]-1H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

(2-Chloro-benzyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-{5-[[((R)-tetrahydro-furan-2-carbonyl)-amino]-1H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

Pyridin-2-ylmethyl-carbamic acid cis-3-[5-(3,3-dimethyl-butyrylamino)-1H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

Pyridin-2-ylmethyl-carbamic acid cis-3-(5-isobutylamino-1H-pyrazol-3-yl)-cyclobutyl ester;

Benzyl-methyl-carbamic acid cis-3-{5-[[((R)-tetrahydro-furan-2-carbonyl)-amino]-1H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

Pyridin-2-ylmethyl-carbamic acid cis-3-{5-[[((R)-tetrahydro-furan-2-carbonyl)-amino]-1H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

(2-Methoxy-benzyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-[5-(2,2-dimethyl-propionylamino)-1H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

(1-Phenyl-propyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-[5-(2,2-dimethyl-propionylamino)-2H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester; and

((S)-1-Phenyl-ethyl)-carbamic acid cis-3-[5-(2,2-dimethyl-propionylamino)-2H-pyrazol-3-yl]-cyclobutyl ester;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of said compound.